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Ravalli County Commissioners

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Dear Commissioner Rokosch,

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This letter serves as a follow-up to my presentation to the Commission in September and our conversation last week concerning participation by County employees and officials on RML committees. Since the composition of the Commission changed in the last election, I would like to revisit and confirm the various appointments.

The present situation is generally detailed on the accompanying list. However, there are a few points on which I would appreciate your consideration.

- Charmell Owens, the former Emergency Preparedness Coordinator, served on our Community Liaison Group and the Security Operations Advisory Committee. It is my opinion that Charmell was a valuable presence on these committees, and would request that you consider letting the new Coordinator also participate.
- Dr. John Swanson represented the Ravalli County Health Board on our Community Liaison Group. John is now living in Scotland for a good portion of the year. I would appreciate your designating another member of the Health Board to take John's place. This person does not need to be an MD or other health professional.
- Please consider allowing Ms. Lea Jordan to serve on our Safety Committee.
- Please let me know if all the other assignments are satisfactory as listed.

I would like to finalize my rosters as soon as possible, so a prompt response would be greatly appreciated. Please feel free to give me a call if you have any questions or would like to discuss.

Thanks very much.

Best regards,

Marshall E. Bloom, M.D.

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## Ravalli County Representation on RML Committees

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### Community Liaison Group

Carlotta Grandstaff	County Commissioner
Chris Hoffman	Sheriff
Ron Nicholas	Head, Office of Emergency Management
VACANT	Emergency Preparedness Coordinator
VACANT	Board of Health
Judy Griffin	Head, Public Health Nursing Department

### Security Operations Advisory Committee

Chris Hoffman	Sheriff
Ron Nicholas	Head, Office of Emergency Management
VACANT	Emergency Preparedness Coordinator

### Institutional Biosafety Committee

Dr. Brett Bender	Health Officer
Greg Chilcott	County Commissioner

### Safety Committee

Lea Jordan (PROPOSED)	Head, Environmental Health Department
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### Biological Exposure Assessment Team (ad hoc members)

Dr. Brett Bender	Health Officer
Judy Griffin	Head, Public Health Nursing Department

## RML Representation on Ravalli County Committees

### Local Emergency Planning Committee

Dr. Marshall Bloom	Associate Director for RML
Pat Stewart	RML Business and Program Manager
Paul Carlson	Occupational Safety and Health Manager for RML

### Emergency Preparedness Task Force (merged with LEPC)

### Ravalli County Health Emergency Advisory Team (HEAT)

Dr. Marshall Bloom	Associate Director for RML
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